

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

*On page 4, please amend the paragraph beginning at line 31 as follows:*

-- According to a second aspect of the present invention, there is provided a network comprising a plurality of first stations and a plurality of second stations, each of said first stations being connected to a control element, wherein at least one of said first stations is connected to one control element and at least one of the first stations being connected to a different control element, wherein, in a first mode, when a second station is in communication with a plurality of first stations controlled by the ~~[[some]]~~ same control element, the first stations transmit identical control information to said second station and, in a second mode, when a second station is in communication with a plurality of first stations which are controlled by a plurality of different control elements, the control information transmitted by said first stations to said second station is different, said control information being used by said second station in said first and second modes to control the processing carried out by the second station in respect of signals received from said plurality of first stations.--